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Re: Microsoft Settlement

I use Microsoft products, and I benefit from them and their features. Microsoft did NOT force me to buy and use their products. I chose them because they are superior to anything offered by their competitors.

I resent the government's characterization of me as a helpless victim who cannot choose software that is useful to me. I do not think that the government has any right to decide what can be in my computer.

I resent the idea that a successful business and its products are a threat to anyone.

I would like to remind the court that the complaint against Microsoft originated NOT with individual consumers, or with Microsoft's partners, but with Microsoft's unsuccessful, jealous competitors. Failed businesses must not be allowed to set the rules for the markets in which they failed.

I would also like to remind the court that for politicians to protect some businesses from competition by others is a dangerous policy. Continued application of the antitrust laws against successful businessmen can only lead to corruption and economic disaster as exists in many other countries.

I want to see an America where success is not throttled, but embraced. I want a free America where anyone with enough intelligence and hard work can be a self-made man like Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates.

Microsoft has a fundamental right to its property. It is the government's job is to PROTECT this right, not to take it away.

Best regards,
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"Intellectual honesty [involves] knowing what one does know, constantly expanding one's knowledge, and NEVER evading or failing to correct a contradiction. This means: the development of an ACTIVE mind as a permanent attribute." Ayn Rand

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